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In re Application of :
MAKOFLA, et al. :
Application No. 09/736,617 :
Filed: December 13, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 18926-004400US :

OFFICE OF PETITIONS
DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 23, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

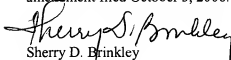
The application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed, February 27, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on May 28, 2006.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

The petition is not signed by an attorney of record. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, the signature of Mr. Thomas Bethea Jr. appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf he acts. If Mr. Thomas Bethea Jr. desires to receive future correspondence regarding this file, the appropriate power of attorney documents must be submitted. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to petitioner herein. However, until otherwise instructed, all future correspondence regarding this application will be directed solely to the above-noted correspondence address of record.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Monica A. Graves at (571) 272-7253.

The application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 2623 for consideration of the amendment filed October 3, 2006.


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